

**PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA****Consumer Protection Services Program**

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September 6, 2006

Citation No. 06-07-0168

Michele Katherine Cazalas, PT
2082 Pointe Parkway
Spring Valley, CA 91978

License No. PT 13087

CITATION

Information obtained by the Physical Therapy Board of California (Board) has determined that actions taken by you have violated sections of the law regulating the practice of practice of physical therapy.

The information obtained confirms you were convicted of a crime which is substantially related to the practice of physical therapy. Therefore, a citation is hereby issued to you in accordance with Section 125.9 of the Business and Professions Code for the violations described below.

FIRST CAUSE OF CITATION

Business and Professions Code Section 2660(d)

Conviction of a crime which is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physical therapist. The record of conviction or a certified copy thereof shall be considered conclusive evidence of that conviction.

You are subject to a citation and fine under section B&P 2660 (d) of the code in that on or about June 2005 you plead guilty and was convicted of a misdemeanor of violation of section VC23105.5 (Reckless Driving-DUI Reduction), in the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, case number M953890 and placed on summary probation.

SECOND CAUSE FOR CITATION

Business and Professions Code Section 2661

A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere made to a charge of a felony or of any offense which is substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a physical therapist is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this article....

You are subject to a citation and fine under section 2661 of the code in that on or about June 2005, you were convicted of a misdemeanor for a violation of section VC23105.5, in the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, case number M953890. You were placed on summary probation and pay restitution of \$742.00.

ORDER

Further, **you are ordered to pay a fine of \$250.00** to the Physical Therapy Board of California within thirty (30) days of the date of issuance of the citation or assessment.

If you wish to contest all or any part of this Citation, complete the enclosed "Notice of Appeal - Request for Informal Conference" form and return it to this office within ten (10) days after receipt of this Citation. The date indicated on the order of abatement will be held in abeyance only for any violation(s) you wish to contest. The time to correct all uncontested violations will be adhered to as specified. In the alternative, you may, within thirty (30) days of the date of issuance of the citation or assessment, request a formal administrative hearing before an administrative law judge under the Administrative Procedure Act.

FAILURE TO RETURN THE REQUEST FOR INFORMAL CONFERENCE FORM OR TO REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING WITHIN THE TIME INDICATED WILL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF YOUR RIGHT TO ADMINISTRATIVELY CONTEST OR APPEAL THIS CITATION.

Administrative Fine

\$250.00

FOR YOUR PROTECTION AND TO ASSURE PROPER CREDIT, PLEASE RETURN THE COPY OF THE CITATION AND NOTE THE CITATION NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

Original Signed By:

September 6, 2006

STEVEN K. HARTZELL

Date

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ORDER OF ABATEMENT

2006

Citation Against: Michele Katherine Cazalas, PT Citation No. 06-07-0168

Item No. 1

Violations: Business and Professions Code Section 2660(d)

Description:

Conviction of a crime which is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physical therapist. The record of conviction or a certified copy thereof shall be considered conclusive evidence of that conviction.

Item No. 2

Violations: Business and Professions Code Section 2661

Description:

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Order of Correction

You are hereby ordered to abate this violation immediately and to cease and desist from further violation.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this Citation and Order of Abatement within thirty (30) days of receipt may result in further legal action.